In the Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) Workstation for providing samples comprising at least
- (i) a platform, which has at least one <u>first module</u> with at least one reservoir for a chemical educt and at least one <u>second</u> module with at least one target container;
 - (ii) a metering system for the metering of the sample,
- (iii) a portal system, which is arranged above the platform and which maneuvers the metering system in all three directions in space,
- (iv) a control device for controlling the movements of the metering system, and
 - (v) a measuring system for the samples,

wherein the metering system has a gripper device for the uptake of a metering tool, which is supported within at least one <u>third</u> module on the platform, and wherein the measuring system is integrated within the metering system and the measuring system is a gravimetric load cell, <u>with the workstation being a metering system for both solids and liquids</u>.

- 2. (Currently Amended) Workstation according to claim 1, wherein the gripper device has four support means being that are faced diametrically to each another and[[,]] which are movable in a concentric manner towards each other.
- 3. (Previously presented) Workstation according to claim 2, wherein two support means are supported in a pair of liner orientated slide bars, respectively, wherein the pairs of slide bars are arranged perpendicularly towards each other.
- 4. (Previously Presented) Workstation according to claim 2, wherein the support means have a geometry, which allows a form-complementary clamping with the geometry of the metering tool.

- 5. (Previously Presented) Workstation according to claim 4, wherein the support means are exchangeable.
 - 6. (canceled)
- 7. (Currently Amended) Workstation according to claim 5, wherein the support means have an adhesion layer for an increased adhesion.
 - 8. (canceled)
- 9. (Previously presented) Workstation according to claim 4, wherein the support means are activated pneumatically for the clamping.
 - 10. (canceled)
- 11. (Previously presented) Workstation according to claim 1, wherein the measuring system is arranged as a module on the platform.
 - 12-13. (canceled)
- 14. (Original) Workstation according to claim 1, wherein the metering system has a pump and a connection for a liquid.
- 15. (Previously presented) Workstation according to claim 1, wherein the metering system has a vibration device in order to excite the metering tool into a defined vibration.

- 16. (Previously presented) Workstation according to claim 1, wherein the platform further has at least one module with a heating device and/or at least one module with a mixing device.
- 17. (Previously presented) Workstation according to claim 1, wherein the metering system has at least one sensor for the detection of the position of the modules.
- 18. (Currently Amended) Workstation according to claim 17, wherein the modules have at least one marking, which is detectable by the <u>at least one</u> sensor.
 - 19-32. (canceled)
- 33. (New) Workstation according to claim 1, wherein the measuring system is a scale.